

**DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Monday, September 14, 2015- 6:30 p.m.**  
**Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom**

1. The meeting was called to Order by Chairman Wender at 6:30 P.M.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said by all.
3. Roll Call was taken by County Clerk Dolly Cook and a quorum was present.  
Present: Chairman Wender and Vice Chairman Degenauer and Commissioner's Kramer, Martin and Stevens. (5)  
Absent: None  
Also Present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Controller Sonya Pugh, Equalization Director Sid Bray, Lt. Dixon and Admin Asst. Dianah Fayas.
4. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to accept the agenda with the following additions:
  7. M Parks Committee:
    2. Authorize the Controller to send a letter to Kiwanis regarding the old judges' stand/overlook at Pine Mountain.
  10. Petitions and New Business:
    1. Four appointments to the Dickinson County Solid Waste Planning Committee to expire 6/01/2016. Applicants: Jack Bomberg, Grede, Mark Gregory, Verso, John Gaudette, Breitung Township and Barb Kramer, Dickinson County.  
All Ayes, Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve the following meeting minutes as written:
  - Finance meeting – Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Regular meeting – Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>
  - Special meeting – Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>All Ayes, Motion Carried.
6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**  
Commissioner Martin introduced the following students from Mr. Hogberg's Iron Mountain Government Class: Tysen Wadge, Hailee Zambon, Jon Wahoviak, Hailey Ellis, Parker Swartout, Tony Balzola, Josh Pilot, Spike Healy, Kameron Braden, Sydney Mahur, Gavin Wright, Bryce Tabat, Kiera Bishop, Mimi Pham, Anjie Armbrust, Marissa Doyal, Christian Margis, Carl Hodges, Ellie Podgornik, Riley Caudell and Nicole Mielcarek.
  - A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)  
Chairman Wender opened the floor the Citizens' Time and there was no participation.
  - B. Resolutions and Legislation –Commissioner Degenauer-None
7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**
  - A. **Finance Committee** – Finance Chairperson Martin
    1. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to accept the Trial Balance & Budget Status Report from the Treasurer for period ending 08/31/15. All Ayes, Motion Carried
    2. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve the monthly bills for August 2015 in the amount of \$196,188.63.  
Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Degenauer Jr.,	Aye
Kramer	Aye
Martin	Aye
Stevens	Aye
Wender	Aye

Motion Carried.

- B. **A-95 Review** – Commissioner Kramer-None
- C. **Crystal Lake Center/YMCA** – Commissioner Kramer-None
- D. **Six County Employment Alliance** – Commissioner Stevens-None
- E. **Planning and Zoning Committee** – Commissioner Kramer  
1. Planning Commission meeting minutes of 06/25/15.  
  
2. Conservation District meeting minutes of 06/18/15.
- F. **DHS / Community Services Agencies** – Commissioner Kramer  
1. Department of Health and Human Services meeting minutes of 07/27/15.
- G. **Dickinson-Iron Health Department** – Commissioner Stevens  
1. Board of Health meeting minutes of 07/29/15.
- H. **Northpointe** – Commissioner Martin  
1. Northpointe meeting minutes of 08/13/15.
- I. **Pinecrest** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- J. **Equalization Committee** – Commissioner Degenauer-None  
Equalization Director, Sid Bray addressed the Board. He stated Governor Snyder is studying the impact of the Dark Store Issues. He stated there will be serious opposition. He stated Verso has agreed with Delta County and Wells Township on their 54% cut. He stated they are talking to Breitung Township and we hope they will make an agreement.
- K. **Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- L. **Public Safety and Judiciary** – Commissioner Wender  
1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr, supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve the formation of a Courts’ collections committee. All Ayes, Motion Carried.  
Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Kramer to make Judge Barglind Chairman and Sonya as the Boards Liaison. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- M. **Parks Committee** – Commissioner Stevens  
1. Fumee Lake Commission regular meeting minutes of 06/03/15 and special meeting minutes of 06/16/ and 07/22/15.  
Chairman Wender asked if they could get the minutes here sooner.  
Commissioner Stevens stated they would.  
  
2. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Martin to authorize the Controller to send a letter to Kiwanis regarding the old judges’ stand/overlook at Pine Mountain. All Ayes, Motion Carried.  
Controller Pugh explained the insurance company has concerns about this structure.
- N. **Airport Committee** – Commissioner Wender  
1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve the payment of \$100 for the Aeronautical Facility and Manager License application and authorize the Chairman to execute the same. Roll Call  
Vote: Commissioners:  
Kramer Aye  
Martin Aye  
Stevens Aye  
Wender Aye  
Degenauer Jr., Aye Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to approve the request from KAS Enterprises, LLC to transfer the existing \$400/month lease at Ford Airport from Bob Baldinelli dba Avis Rent A Car to KAS Enterprises, LLC dba Avis Car Rental. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Martin	Aye	
Stevens	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.,	Aye	
Kramer	Aye	Motion Carried.

Commissioner Kramer asked if there would be cars at the airport or will you have to go into Iron Mountain to get one? Controller Pugh stated there have always been cars at the airport. She further stated he just purchased the business and we do not have details on how it will be run yet. Commissioner Kramer asked how long this lease is for? Controller Pugh stated it will be year to year.

3. Motion by Commissioner Kramer, supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve lease amendment #4, extending the current \$2,763/month lease with General Services Administration an additional 15 months, effective 09/01/15. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Stevens	Aye	
Wender	Aye	
Degenauer Jr.,	Aye	
Kramer	Aye	
Martin	Aye	Motion Carried.

Chairman Wender stated we are not going to close the airport. He stated it is a very viable part of our community.

- O. **Fair Board** – Commissioner Degenauer-None  
Commissioner Degenauer Jr., stated the fair went well and they received many very good comments from people who did not live in the area.
- P. **Library Board** – Commissioner Martin-None
- Q. **Dickinson Partnership/Economic Dev.** – Commissioner Stevens-None
- R. **Employee Relations Committee** - Commissioner Degenauer-None
- S. **Dickinson County Hospital Committee** – Commissioner Stevens-None  
Commissioner Stevens stated they had another good month.
- T. **Dickinson County Road Commission** – Commissioner Wender  
1. Road Commission meeting minutes of 08/11/15.
- U. **Construction Code Commission** – Commissioner Degenauer-None
- V. **Bay West Advisory Committee** - Commissioner Degenauer-None
8. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)  
Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time and there was no participation.
9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:** Commissioner Degenauer - None
10. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Degenauer  
1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Martin to appoint the following applicants to the Dickinson County Solid Waste Planning Committee to expire 6/1/2016 – Jack Bomberg – Grede, Mark Gregory – Verso, John Gaudette, Breitung Township and Barb Kramer- Dickinson County Board Liaison. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
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| Degenauer Jr., | Aye |         |
| Kramer         |     | Abstain |
| Martin         | Aye |         |

Stevens                      Aye  
Wender                      Aye                      Motion Carried.

11. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Kramer to accept the Committee Reports and Correspondence and place on file. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
12. Controller's Report.  
Controller Pugh stated the Treasurer asked her to clarify some things about the Land Bank. She stated we do not have to establish a land bank to have local auctions. She stated the Treasurer would have to opt-in to the Tax Reversion Foreclosure Process in order to have auctions locally.  
She stated even with the current opt-out situation, the City can acquire properties before they go to auction. She further stated they have "first right of refusal" and if the property is not sold at the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> auction, the City has another opportunity to acquire the property as they have "second right of refusal." She stated this would enable the City to clean up blighted properties.  
She went on to say foreclosed properties are not purchased by residents – but by individuals "outside" and "properties end up going back through the same process over again."  
She stated our Treasurers records show in Iron Mountain, nine parcels were foreclosed this year, only one of these appeared on the foreclosure list in the previous decade. She stated of the seven sold at the first auction – five were purchased by local residents. (Information from the County Treasurers' records, August 2015.)  
Chairman Wender thanked her for the information.
13. Commissioners' Personal Privilege.  
Commissioner Stevens stated he will be going to his first MAC conference next week and will report back to the Board.  
He further stated he is going to contact the Chamber of Commerce and see how they feel about the Dark Store issue and see if they will react to this.  
Motion by Commissioner Kramer, to close the front stairway due to the leaning clock tower and the odd noises when going up and down the stairs. Motion died for lack of support.
14. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr, supported by Commissioner Stevens to adjourn, Subject to Call of Chairman at 6:54 P.M.

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Henry Wender, Chairman

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Dolly L Cook, County Clerk